

Republican Valley Library System Board Meeting

January 11, 2013 10:00 am

Telephone Conference

PRESENT: Beth Falla, Jody Crocker, Claudette Wielechowski, Sky Seery, Tim Johnson, Mo Khamouna, Steve Batty (NLC Commissioner), Denise Harders (Systems Administrator), Laura Johnson for Richard Miller (NLC Rep)

ABSENT: Dixie Codner, Jane Hilton, Annette Eisenhart, Vicki Perrie, Dana Wade, Barbara Whitehead

ALSO PRESENT:

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL Mo Khamouna called the meeting to order at 10:13.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (11.2.12) will be reviewed and approved in March due to low attendance.

FINANCIAL REPORT: 50% through the year. Total overall budget is 52% used.

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you for scholarship from Marsha Wortman and Carol Eshleman. Also received a Christmas card thanking system for services from Vicki Casper.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: New directors in Alma and Beaver City. Ereader workshops, youth services workshop, tech workshop. Pinterest account for the system. See the button on the RVLS website! Change in office hours to accommodate for PTO hours, please call ahead to make sure someone is in the office. Systems services survey will be arriving soon. Keep an eye out for it.

OLD BUSINESS:

Summer Reading Workshop: Will not be in Holdrege due to facilities. Will be held at the Lutheran Church in Elwood, March 8th.

Annual Meeting Location: Superior? What about Hastings? Thoughts, opinions are welcome.

NEW BUSINESS:

RVLS Week of Weeding: March 4-8, 2013 it was a success the first time around. Kindle Paperwhite is the grand prize and any library is welcome to participate.

Upcoming Events:

Feb 28 – Big Talk from Small Libraries Online Conference

April 1-5 – Spring Meetings (various locations)
Help! I'm a Librarian, not a Social Worker!
Carolyn Brewer, ED, North Texas Library Partners

April 18 – Baby & Me Storytimes Workshops
Grand Island Public Library
Alice Boeckman

Teaching Basic Skills Online: Directors are going to teach occasionally. First class Denise is teaching is **Library Policy**, April 8-19.

ARSL Conference: Sept. 25-28, 2013 Omaha at the Double Tree. Accepting registrations for lodging, Denise is on the Gifts and Introductions for Speakers Committee.

NLC REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: NLC COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT: Reminder to sign up for Advocacy Day. Need CE credits? Check out some of the different workshops.

NLC COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT: Big Talk from Small Libraries is back for 2013. Free workshop online – Serving Spanish-Speaking Populations on Jan. 16 & 23. NLA Advocacy Day, Jan. 30 – “Libraries: Your Community Connection”. Teen Tech Week is March 10-16, 2013 – Check In @ Your Library! Find more info at ALA website. Fall Colloquium on Tape, Kathy Dempsey’s program, find more info at NLC. US Census Bureau has new web app called Easy Stats. “Let’s Build Nebraska” new resource to train, enhance skills of volunteers, nonprofit staff. Get your NCES Academic Library Survey in through Feb. 26, see NLC website or John Felton. Public Libraries Survey is due by Feb. 15th, same contacts. *O Pioneers!* Is the 2013 One Book One Nebraska, support materials can be found at onebook.nebraska.gov. The 2012 Public Library Funding & Technology Access Study has been released, see ALA website. Reminder, ALTAFF changed their name to United for Libraries: the Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends and Foundations. The Basic Skills classes schedule is posted, visit the NLC Website for more details. Talking Books and Braille Service (TBBS) has a new service application forms, please recycle the old forms. TBBS also has forms in Spanish. NCompass programs are every Wednesday from 10AM to 11AM CST, if you are interested in presenting contact Christa Burns at the NLC office. Internship Grants to Public Libraries applications are due Feb. 15th. Contact Kathryn Brockmeier for further info.

The meeting adjourned (unofficially) at 10:51.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: March 8th via teleconference.